

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

God of our Fathers, and our Father, Who has been from generation to generation our pillar of fire by night and our guiding cloud by day, in gratitude and praise, we lift up our hearts unto Thee:

We bless Thy Holy Name for the men and women who have built this spacious temple, so beautiful with lovely windows, noble organ, stately altar and rich vessels of worship, and who have founded and established this congregation, whose names are recorded in the Book of Remembrance to Thine honor and glory:

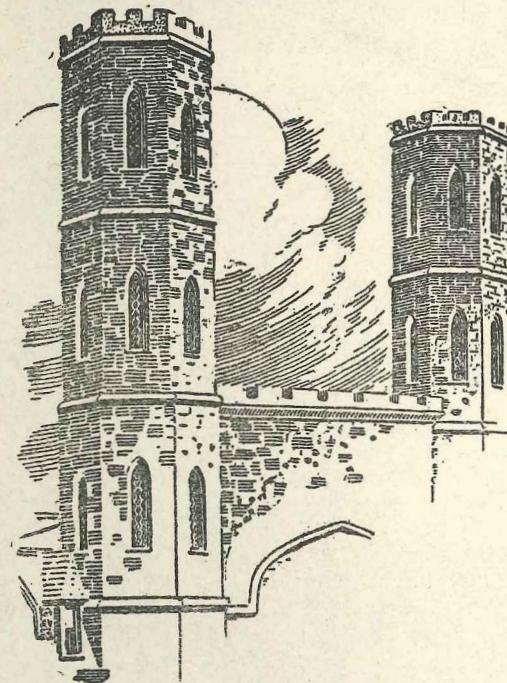
We thank Thee for the lives and deeps of all who have gone before, followers of Christ, whom they served in the spirit of truth and in the way of love. May we of today not be found wanting but eager and ready with them to go from strength to strength in the joy of His kingdom:

And now as we face the future, confronted with new tasks and present difficulties, keep us as a people from discouragement and fear; suffer not our strength to fail; kindle our vision; make us courageous and of good cheer; lead us on, O King Eternal, into a better and nobler day:

To those who will come after we would pass on in trust the wealth we have received. We pray for our children, that they grow in wisdom and in favor with God and with man. For the newcomers who throng into this business community we ask that from us there may be awakened in them the desire to enter Thy courts.

To all we would pass on the lighted torch of faith and hope and love:

In this One hundred and twenty-fifth year we praise Thee, O God; we bless Thee; we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. Amen.



Order of Services

125th Anniversary of

St. Stephen's Church

in the City of Philadelphia

February 29 — March 7



1823

1948

125th ANNIVERSARY SERVICES

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 29

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

ORGAN PRELUDE: "CHORALE PRELUDE ON 'A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD'"

William Faulkes

HYMN 289

- 1 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:
- 2 Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defence is sure.
- 3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

SENTENCES

CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTION, Prayer Book, page 6

VENITE, Prayer Book, page 9

PSALM 138, Prayer Book, page 513

FIRST LESSON:

BENEDICTUS Es, Prayer Book, page 11

Isaiah 52:1

O Quanta, Qualia

SECOND LESSON:

BENEDICTUS, Prayer Book, page 14

I John 3:1-11

Chant

APOSTLES' CREED, Prayer Book, page 15

(The Congregation will remain standing as the members of the 1948 Confirmation Class come forward and are presented to the Bishop)

THE ORDER OF CONFIRMATION, Prayer Book, page 296

Aurelia

HYMN 396

- 1 The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation
By water and the word:
From heaven he came and sought her
To be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her
And for her life he died.
- 2 Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation,
One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy Name she blesses,
Partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses,
With every grace endued.
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder
Men see her sore opprest,
By schisms rent asunder,
By heresies distrest;
Yet saints their watch are keeping
Their cry goes up, "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
Shall be the morn of song.
- 4 'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.
- 5 Yet she on earth hath union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly,
On high may dwell with thee. Amen.

SERMON:

THE RIGHT REVEREND OLIVER J. HART, D.D.
Bishop of Pennsylvania

Brahms

ANTHEM: "How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place"

How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts!
For my soul it longeth, yea fainteth for the courts of the Lord, my soul and body crieth
out, yea for the Living God.
O blest are they that dwell within Thy house, they praise Thy Name evermore.

OFFERTORY HYMN 426

Aughton

- 1 He leadeth me! O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me! He leadeth me!
By his own hand he leadeth me!
His faithful follower I would be,
For by his hand he leadeth me.
- 2 Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. *Refrain.*
- 3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *Refrain.*
- 4 And when my task on earth is done,
When, by thy grace, the victory's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me. *Refrain.*

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AMERICA—PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BENEDICTION

HYMN 266

- 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee:
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.
- 2 Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3 Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.
- 4 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity. Amen.

Nicaea

SENTENCES

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seem to die, and their going from us to be utter destruction: but they are in peace. WISDOM 3:1.

I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, from henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours.

REVELATION 14:13.

Blessed be Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, for ever and ever. Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine: Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as head above all . . . In Thine hand it is . . . to give strength unto all.

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Answer: *And with Thy spirit.*

Minister: Let us pray.

O God the Father, Who hast made all the world:

Answer: *Have mercy upon us.*

Minister: O God the Son, Who hast redeemed all mankind:

Answer: *Save Thy people.*

Minister: O Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful:

Answer: *Govern us, and lift us up forever.*

Minister: Lord, teach us to pray:

Answer: *And mercifully hear Thy people.*

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts:

Answer: *And renew a right spirit with us.*

The Lord's Prayer:

O Lord, open Thou our lips:

Answer: *And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.*

Gloria:

Praise ye the Lord

Answer: *The Lord's Name be praised.*

Laudate Dominum

PSALM 148

- 1 O praise the LORD from the heavens: *praise him in the heights.
2 Praise him, all ye angels of his: *praise him, all his host.
3 Praise him, sun and moon: *praise him, all ye stars and light.
4 Praise him, all ye heavens, *and ye waters that are above the heavens.
5 Let them praise the Name of the LORD: *for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.
6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever: *he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.
7 Praise the LORD from the earth, *ye dragons and all deeps;
8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours, *wind and storm, fulfilling his word;
9 Mountains and all hills; *fruitful trees and all cedars;
10 Beasts and all cattle; *creeping things and flying fowls;
11 Kings of the earth, and all peoples; *princes, and all judges of the world;
12 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the LORD: *for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.
13 He shall exalt the horn of his people: all his saints shall praise him: *even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

FIRST LESSON: Wisdom 3

MAGNIFICAT IN G MINOR

T. Tertius Noble

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 11:32 to 12:2

NUNC DIMITTIS IN G MINOR

T. Tertius Noble

ORGAN PRELUDE: SOLEMN PRELUDE

T. Tertius Noble

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 599: "YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES" - *Vigiles Et Sancti*

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones
Raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 2 O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises, Alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
- 4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing,
Alleluia, Alleluia
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

CREED

Minister: The Lord be with you:
Answer: *And with Thy Spirit.*
Minister: Let us pray.
Baptise us anew, O God, in the life-giving spirit of Jesus.

Answer: *And so re-create Thy Church.*
Minister: Reveal to us the vision of Thine eternal purposes.
Answer: *And make us the instruments of Thy love.*

Minister: Reveal to us the disciplines of life.
Answer: *And let us not shrink from the cost.*

Minister: Fire our minds with the vision of a more perfect society here on earth:
Answer: *And make us ready for the risks of brotherhood.*
Minister: For the light of the everlasting Gospel, which Thou hast sent to every nation and kindred and tongue and people:
Answer: *We praise Thee, O Lord, and bless Thy Name.*



THE MEMORIAL

*Let us commend to Almighty God
the soul of his servant,*

CARL ECKHART GRAMMER

Almighty God, Who hast given us the comforting assurance that Thou art present in every place to hear the prayers of such as love Thee, and to protect those for whom we pray, we commit our dear one to Thy favor and care. We thank Thee for Carl Eckhart Grammer,—for the visions and ideals to which he was born, for his Christian life so devotedly consecrated to the Christian ministry, for his fidelity to all pastoral duties, and for his great attainments in the field of theological education. We are even more grateful for his fine Christian character—a character so enriched by Thy grace that it made him a blessing to all who knew him. We thank Thee for his good fight, his finished course, and his kept faith; and we rejoice in the confidence that he has already heard Thy gracious words, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Grant, O Lord, that we may ever be faithful to his memory here on earth, and re-united in communion and fellowship in the life that is to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEAD

We thank Thee, O God, for the dear and faithful dead, for those who have made the distant heavens a Home for us, and whose truth and beauty are even now in our hearts. One by one Thou dost gather the scattered families out of the earthly light into the heavenly glory, from the distractions and strife and weariness of time to the peace of eternity. We thank Thee for the labor and the joys of these mortal years. We thank Thee for our deep sense of the mysteries that lie beyond our dust, and for the eye of faith which Thou hast opened for all who believe in Thy Son to outlook that mark. May we live together in Thy Faith and Love, and in that Hope which is full of immortality, through Him Who by His death hath destroyed death, Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favorably on Thy whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; and by the favor of Thy perpetual providence perform with tranquility the work of man's salvation. And let the whole world learn and see that the things which were cast down are being raised up, and the things which had grown old are being made new; and all things are turning to their wholeness; through Him from Whom they took their origin, even through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE ACT OF COMMITMENT

Let us pray that we may have grace to love God with all our heart and mind and soul and strength.

HERE SILENCE IS TO BE KEPT AND ALSO AFTER EACH PETITION

And to practice daily the presence of God in prayer and meditation and the searching of the Scriptures.

And to use more sacrificially our time, means, and energies for the advancement of His Kingdom. And to achieve a deeper realization and fellowship among all who have the name of Christian. And to remove all barriers of class or nation or race that hinder the coming of a world community.

And to fulfill more faithfully our responsibilities as workers in the family of Christ.

TO BE SAID BY ALL

O God, Who didst found Thy Church upon the Prophets and the Apostles, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, grant us such love toward Thee that nothing may be too hard for us to bear or to endure in the endeavor to consecrate our bodies and minds and souls to the doing of Thy will. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DEDICATORY ANTHEM: "LORD, I HAVE LOVED THE HABITATION OF THY HOUSE"

H. Alexander Matthews

(Composed for the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of St. Stephen's Church.)

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.
—PSALM 26:8.

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.—PSALM 84:2.

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle;
Yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me and set me up upon a rock of stone.
Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness: I will sing and speak praises unto the Lord.—PSALM 27:5-6.

Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness; make thy way plain before my face.—PSALM 5:8.
One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require; even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.—PSALM 27:4.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.
Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed.
For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand.—PSALM 18:8-10.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be always acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.—PSALM 19:14.

Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of music; unto thee will I sing, O thou holy one of Israel.—PSALM 71:22.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; They will be always praising thee.—PSALM 84:4.
Marjory Hennig, *Soprano Soloist*

ADDRESS: "Carl Grammer—Protestant"

THE REV. C. LEICESTER LEWIS, D.D.
St. Luke's Church, New York City

HYMN 276: "Now Thank We All Our God"

- 1 Now thank we all our God,
With heart, and hands, and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mother's arms
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.
- 2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us!
With ever-joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in his grace
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
Eternal, Triune God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be, evermore. Amen.

Nun Danket

ADDRESS: "Carl Grammer—An Appreciation" - THE REV. ROBERT O. KEVIN, Ph.D.
*Professor of Old Testament
Virginia Theological Seminary*

OFFERTORY HYMN 435: "Dear Lord and Father Of Mankind"

Rest

- 1 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise.
- 2 In simple trust like theirs who heard,
Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word,
Rise up and follow thee.
- 3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee
The silence of eternity
Interpreted by love!
- 4 Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease:
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace.
- 5 Breathe through the heat of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm. Amen.

AMERICA: THE PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

PRAYERS AND BENEDICTION

SEVENFOLD AMEN

Stainer

RECESSSIONAL HYMN 472: "Hark! Hark, My Soul."

Pilgrims

- 1 Hark, hark my soul! angelic songs are swelling
O'er earth's green fields and ocean's wave-beat shore;
How sweet the truth those blessed strains are telling
Of that new life when sin shall be no more!
Angels of Jesus, angels of light,
Singing to welcome the pilgrims of the night.
- 2 Onward we go, for still we hear them singing,
"Come, weary souls, for Jesus bids you come;"
And through the dark, its echoes sweetly ringing,
The music of the Gospel leads us home.
- 3 Far, far away, like bells at evening pealing,
The voice of Jesus sounds o'er land and sea,
And laden souls, by thousands meekly stealing,
Kind Shepherd, turn their weary steps to thee.
- 4 Rest comes at length, though life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night be past;
Faith's journeys end in welcome to the weary,
And heaven, the heart's true home, will come at last.
- 5 Angels, sing on! your faithful watches keeping;
Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above;
Till morning's joy shall end the night of weeping,
And life's long shadows break in cloudless love.

Refrain

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SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 7
NINE O'CLOCK

HOLY COMMUNION

(For those who wish to make their communion as an expression of thanksgiving and re-dedication on the occasion of the parish anniversary.)

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 7
ELEVEN O'CLOCK

ORDER OF SERVICE

at the

DEDICATION OF THE DR. CARL E. GRAMMER MEMORIAL

ORGAN PRELUDE: CHORAL PRELUDE O WHAT THEIR JOY AND THEIR
GLORY MUST BE

H. Alexander Matthews

Mount Zion

HYMN 390

- 1 O 'twas a joyful sound to hear
Our tribes devoutly say,
Up, Israel! to the temple haste,
And keep your festal day.
At Salem's courts we must appear,
With our assembled powers,
In strong and beauteous order ranged,
Like her united towers.
- 2 O ever pray for Salem's peace;
For they shall prosperous be,
Thou holy city of our God,
Who bear true love to thee.
May peace within thy sacred walls
A constant guest be found;
With plenty and prosperity
Thy palaces be crowned.

3 For my dear brethren's sake, and friends
No less than brethren dear,
I'll pray: May peace in Salem's towers
A constant guest appear.
But most of all I'll seek thy good,
And ever wish thee well,
For Sion and the temple's sake,
Where God vouchsafes to dwell.

SENTENCES:

CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUtiON, Prayer Book, page 6

LORD'S PRAYER AND VERSICLES

VENITE, Prayer Book, page 9

PSALM 84: "Quam dilecta!"

- 1 O how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts!
- 2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young; even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; they will be alway praising thee.
- 5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are thy ways.
- 6 Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well; and the pools are filled with water.
- 7 They will go from strength to strength, and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
- 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 9 Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed.
- 10 For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand.
- 11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defence; the Lord will give grace and worship; and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.
- 13 O Lord God of hosts, blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

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SECOND LESSON

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ANNIVERSARY LITANY

Minister: Almighty and everlasting God, before whom stand the spirits of the living and the dead, Light of lights, Fountain of wisdom and goodness, who livest in all pure and humble and gracious souls; for all who have witnessed a good confession for thy glory throughout the hundred and twenty-five years of our Parish: Clergy, Wardens, Vestrymen, Teachers in our Church School, Members of our Choir, Workers in our organizations, Worshippers before Thy Altar,

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For the Martyrs of our holy faith, the faithful witnesses to Christ of whom the world was not worthy, and for all who have resisted falsehood and wrong unto suffering or death.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For all who have labored and suffered for freedom, good government, just laws, and the sanctity of the home; and for all who have given their lives for their country.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For those who have been tender and true and brave in all times and places; and for all who have been one with thee in the communion of Christ's Spirit and in the strength of his love.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For the dear friends and kindred ministering in the spiritual world; whose faces we see no more, but whose love is ever with us.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For the teachers and companions of our childhood and youth; and the members of our household of faith who worship thee now in heaven.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: And that we may hold them in continual remembrance, that the sanctity of their wisdom and goodness may rest upon our earthly days, and that we may prepare ourselves to follow them in their upward way.

Response: *We beseech thee to hear us, O God.*

Minister: In the communion of thy Holy Spirit; with the faithful and saintly in heaven, with the redeemed in all ages, with our beloved who dwell in thy presence and peace, we who still labor on earth, unite in ascribing,

Response: *Thanksgiving, glory, honour, and power unto thee, O Lord, our God.*

Minister: O Almighty God, who has knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BENEDICTION

HYMN 551

1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

2 Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side,
The man of God's own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Saboath his Name,
From age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.

Ein' Feste Burg

3 And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us;
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us:
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo! his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through him who with us sideth:
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is for ever.

On behalf of the Vestry of St. Stephen's Church, we receive this memorial, marble-relief portrait of the sixth rector of this church, placed here in the church which he served with such unfailing devotion, as a token of a grateful congregation, and as an enduring witness before the people of our appreciation of him who has done so much for us.

To the glory of God, our Father,
by whose favor we have this church;

To the honor of Jesus Christ, the
Son of the living God, our Lord and
Saviour;

To the praise of the Holy Spirit
the source of light and life;

We dedicate this memorial, O God.
Let us pray:

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting GOD, we yield unto Thee most high praise and hearty thanks for the many tokens of Thy goodness to this favored church. Fire has come nigh us, but it has not destroyed this house of worship. Our surroundings have changed, but wide avenues of usefulness have been kept open for us, and, after a century and a quarter of service, our church abides in strength and usefulness. Especially do we thank Thee, this morning, for the generous loyalty that has inspired Thy servants to adorn this ancient church with this memorial to Thy servant, Carl Eckhart Grammer, whose stalwart faith and abounding toil we have gratefully remembered together, before Thee. And may we who are so highly favored have the wisdom, zeal, and consecration to make this Church a source of light and leading, of righteous living and helpful teaching to this great city. We offer these petitions as the followers of Thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Minister: Almighty and everlasting God, before whom stand the spirits of the living and the dead, Light of lights, Fountain of wisdom and goodness, who livest in all pure and humble and gracious souls; for all who have witnessed a good confession for thy glory throughout the hundred and twenty-five years of our Parish: Clergy, Wardens, Vestrymen, Teachers in our Church School, Members of our Choir, Workers in our organizations, Worshippers before Thy Altar,

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For the Martyrs of our holy faith, the faithful witnesses to Christ of whom the world was not worthy, and for all who have resisted falsehood and wrong unto suffering or death.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

Minister: For all who have labored and suffered for freedom, good government, just laws, and the sanctity of the home; and for all who have given their lives for their country.

Response: *We praise thee, O God, and bless thy Name.*

SERMON:

THE VERY REV. CHARLES L. TAYLOR, TH.D., D.D.

Dean of the Cambridge Theological School

Austria

OFFERTORY HYMN 385

- 1 Glorious things of thee are spoken,
Sion, City of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken,
Formed thee for his own abode;
On the Rock of Ages founded,
What can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.
- 2 See, the streams of living waters,
Springing from eternal love,
Well supply thy sons and daughters,
And all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river
Ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver,
Never fails from age to age.
- 3 Round each habitation hovering,
See the cloud and fire appear
For a glory and a covering,
Showing that the Lord is near.
Thus deriving from their banner,
Light by night, and shade by day,
Safe they feed upon the manna
Which he gives them when they pray.
- 4 Blest inhabitants of Sion,
Washed in the Redeemer's blood!
Jesus, whom their souls rely on,
Makes them kings and priests to God
'Tis his love his people raises
Over self to reign as kings:
And as priests, his solemn praises
Each for a thank-offering brings.

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DOXOLOGY

AMERICA—PRESENTATION OF COLORS

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BENEDICTION

HYMN 551

- 1 A mighty fortress is our God,
A bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and power are great,
And, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.
- 2 Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side,
The man of God's own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he;
Lord Saboath his Name,
From age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.
- 3 And though this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us;
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us:
The prince of darkness grim,
We tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure,
For lo! his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.
- 4 That word above all earthly powers,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through him who with us sideth:
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill:
God's truth abideth still,
His kingdom is for ever.

Ein' Feste Burg

DAVID D. WOOD

1838 - 1910



Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the third son of a large family of an expert builder of river-boats and barges, David, partly through an accident and partly through scarlet fever, became totally blind when he was about three years old. Two years later his mother learned of the school for the blind in Philadelphia. In spite of the distance and the long separation which was to extend over seven years before the boy could be with his mother again, the decision was made. The family records still tell of the painful parting on that decisive day. "The mother stood on the bank, as the canal boat started on its three week's journey through the mountains, while on the deck her little son—only five years old—reached out for her with groping hands, the tears couring down his cheeks and his little body a-quiver as he besought her in his anguish not to let him go." Made in the heroic mould that her son later displayed; her love proved equal to the heart-rending strain, and she allowed the boat to bear him out of her aching sight.

David made good use of his opportunities in his new home, excelling particularly in mathematics. He advanced as far as analytical geometry, and disclosed in the judgment of his able teacher, James G. Blaine, who was for a time on the staff of the school, mathematical abilities of a high order.

David's gift for music early manifested itself, although no other member of his family ever showed any special musical taste. The school gave him a thorough training in the theory of the art, and he soon taught himself to play on the violin, the flute, and the piano. He first essayed to play the church organ when about twelve years old. His earliest teacher was William Schnabel, a young German musician of scholarly attainments. His total instruction was not much over six months. The rest he taught himself by the aid of the great masters.

At the age of fifteen he was appointed assistant instructor in the school, and at eighteen he severed his connection with it to make his living by organ playing and teaching. His first position as an organist payed him but one hundred dollars a year. At the end of the year he was forced to resign as the church was changed to a mission status. He secured a small chapel where the organist received only fifty dollars per annum. His third position he was requested to resign on the ground that the vestry doubted his ability to play properly a larger organ they had bought. He was able to bear this announcement with fortitude, however, because he had previously been elected organist in St. Stephen's Church. This was in 1864. Later on, in 1870, he became Choir Master, and he retained both positions until the day of his death.

In 1884 he was elected organist of the Baptist Temple, a position which he held for twenty-five years, in entire charge of the music although he played only at the night service.

In addition to his organ playing and teaching at the Institution at Overbrook, Dr. Wood was for thirty years the instructor of the organ at the Philadelphia Musical Academy. He also had many private pupils. These multiplied activities and the immense labor of learning by heart his music would have exhausted the energies of most men; but he early showed talent as a composer, and, like a true artist, loved to exercise his creative powers. His serious compositions were of a sacred character and in a lofty classical style. They are an enduring monument to his genius. Among his outstanding compositions not in the program tonight are the Anthem, "Behold I Show You A Mystery" and the elaborate setting of the "Magnificat in C." Under the able and distinguished organist and choirmaster, Dr. H. Alexander Matthews and his splendid choir, we are privileged tonight to hear and enjoy an evening of Dr. Wood's compositions.

The magnificent four-manual Haskell Organ was given to the Parish in 1907 by the Magee Family in memory of Eliza J. Magee. It cost \$40,000.00 and was the special design of Dr. Wood, incorporating many novel mechanical features. Its position in the church, taking advantage of the high vaulting, makes for unusual clarity and beauty of tone and effect. Though blind, Dr. Wood faultlessly manipulated its 67 speaking stops and 50 mechanical stops and accessories. He extemporized reverently and unobtrusively during the morning and afternoon services, using the 4,218 speaking pipes to exquisite advantage.

SUNDAY EVENING, MARCH 7

EIGHT O'CLOCK

FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

In Memory of David D. Wood, *Doctor of Music*

Organist and Choir Director

St. Stephen's Church, 1864-1910

ORGAN PRELUDE: Elegy

Russell King Miller

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 589

To be sung by the congregation with the choir

- 1 O what their joy and their glory must be,
Those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see;
Crown for the valiant, to weary ones rest:
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
- 2 Truly Jerusalem name we that shore,
Vision of peace that brings joy evermore;
Wish and fulfillment can severed be ne'er,
Nor the thing prayed for come short of the
prayer.
- 3 There, where no troubles distraction can bring,
We the sweet anthems of Sion shall sing;
While for thy grace, Lord, their voices of
praise
Thy blessed people eternally raise.
- 4 Now, in the meanwhile, with hearts raised
on high,
We for that country must yearn and must sigh;
Seeking Jerusalem, dear native land,
Through our long exile on Babylon's strand.
- 5 Low before him with our praises we fall,
Of whom, and in whom, and through whom
are all;
Of whom, the Father; and in whom, the Son;
Through whom, the Spirit, with them ever
One. Amen.

SENTENCES:

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER AND VERSICLES

PSALM 150 (to be read responsively)

- 1 O praise God in his sanctuary:
praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him in his noble acts:
praise him according to his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him
upon lute and harp.
- 4 Praise him on the timbrels and dances:
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals:
praise him upon the loud cymbals.
- 6 Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy
Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever
shall be, world without end. Amen.

LESSON:

I Kings 8:22-30

54-61

ANTHEM: "There Shall Be No More Night There"

David D. Wood

And He showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God, and of the Lamb.

In the midst of the street thereof and on either side of the river was there the tree of life, and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

There shall be no more curse, nor pain, nor death. But the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be therein; and his servants shall serve Him, and they shall see His face.

There shall be no night there, and they need no lamp, nor light of the sun, for the Lord God shall give them light; and they shall reign for ever and ever.

Marjory Hennig, Soprano Soloist

ADDRESS: "David D. Wood—Teacher"

Edward E. Allen, A.B., D. Se.

Emeritus Director, Perkins Institute for the Blind, Boston

DEUS MISEREATUR

David D. Wood

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God; yea, let all the peoples praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise thee, O God; yea, let all the peoples praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

ADDRESS: "St. Stephen's Days of Dr. Wood"

H. B. Rumrill

ANTHEM: "In The Beginning Was The Word"

David D. Wood

In the beginning was the Word, and The Word was God. All things were made by Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehendeth it not. The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe in His name. Arise! Shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Marjory Hennig, Soprano Soloist

OFFERTORY: Prelude in B Minor

J. S. Bach

OFFERTORY HYMN: 426

Aughton

Played by Rollo F. Maitland, Mus. Dr., F.A.G.O.

- 1 He leadeth me! O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me! He leadeth me!
By his own hand he leadeth me!
His faithful follower I would be,
For by his hand he leadeth me.
- 2 Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,
Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,
By waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
Still 'tis his hand that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, etc.
- 3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
Nor ever murmur nor repine;
Content, whatever lot I see,
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.
He leadeth me, etc.
- 4 And when my task on earth is done,
When, by thy grace, the victory's won,
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
Since God through Jordan leadeth me.
He leadeth me, etc.

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PRAYER OF REDEDICATION

"THE TWILIGHT SHADOWS FALL"

(Congregation kneeling)

The twilight shadows fall
But do not fear,
At evening comes the call
"Be of good cheer."
Though dark the clouds above
Trusting our Father's love,
The sun sets clear.

David D. Wood

The twilight shadows fall
Life's goal is nigh;
We soon may hear Thee call
"Come up on high."
Then fades the night away,
Greet we the perfect day.
God's cloudless sky.

BENEDICTION

RECESSATIONAL HYMN 279: "Praise to the Lord"

German, 1665

- 1 PRAISE to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation;
Join the great throng,
Psaltery, organ, and song,
Sounding in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth
Borne as on eagle-wings, safely his saints he sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen
How all thou needest hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee;
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
Who with his love doth befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath breath join with Abraham's seed to adore him!
Let the "Amen"
Sum all our praises again
Now as we worship before him. AMEN.

ORGAN POSTLUDE: Played by Rollo F. Maitland, Mus. Dr., F.A.G.O.

Improvisation On An Original Theme by David D. Wood

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